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DEATH.

On January 28th, at Shanghai, Mrs. ROSALIA
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 29th, 1908.

Our special telegram from Peking should be particularly interesting to the members of the China Association. In our opinion it is quite probable that it is in consequence of the indiscreet meddling of the Shanghai Branch that this Edit has appeared so promptly, certainly before it was expected; although that is not to lose sight of the fact that Sir ROBERT BRETON has always been what the N. C. Daily News called him, "the natural successor to Sir ROBERT HART." No one recognises to a further extent than we do that the China Association has, by its efforts in the past, achieved a record of creditable usefulness that entitles it to our gratitude and respect; but of late years the old-fashioned laipen seems to have gone, and a new personnel, composed of ambitious younglings of the WINSTON CHURCHILL pattern, seems to have arisen with the best of intentions but a fatal facility for putting its foot into things. We have found occasion in recent years to utter a mild but timely warning against the threatened policy of officious and ineffective interference. We noticed with regret what we diagnosed as a tendency to seize every opening to assert its supposed influence and to remind the world of its important existence as a god in the ear, and it was easy to see that such a policy, if persisted in, must weaken its influence and tarnish its reputation. In the matter of Sir ROBERT HART's success or, we think

it will certainly be discovered that the China Association has overshoot its mark, and older members and supporters will regret that it should have been allowed. For Mr. Gumpert as a journalist and as a student of things Chinese we have learned to entertain a profound respect, but this does not drive away from us the uneasy suspicion that he has grown amenable to human weaknesses that journalism should have eliminated. It looks rather as if the lavish praise bestowed upon his diplomatic capacity has created in him a new *acochis scribendi*, so that he hastens to write where he once would have stopped to think. This has not only led him to write a letter, instigated by the Shanghai branch, which has since been widely characterised as un-English and unfair, but has made him figure as the chestnut-snatcher for a monkey-clique in Shanghai which, as we plainly suggested in our issue of the 6th January, cannot claim, in its campaign against Sir ROBERT BRETON, that all its motives are absolutely above suspicion of self-interest and unwarrantable bias. As we said then, the Shanghai meeting that met to inspire the now notorious telegram was not unanimous, and we have good reason to believe that those who opposed it had in several cases, worthier motives than a mere reluctance to appear in a false position. We do not share Mr. Gumpert's derivative view of Sir ROBERT BRETON's fitness to succeed Sir ROBERT HART. We fancy we have understood his character better, and we certainly have a clearer perception of his abilities. Any objection to him we could think of would apply equally to Sir ROBERT HART, whose success is admitted on all hands, and we prophesy with confidence that when Sir ROBERT BRETON accepts the permanent appointment, as we fully expect will happen, he will continue and maintain the excellent traditions that have lifted the I. M. C. almost entirely out of the mire of political and diplomatic intrigue. In view of the manifestly unfriendly criticism lately directed at him, we have particular pleasure in wishing him all success in his present status.

A notice to mariners among our today's advertisements gives information concerning the light which has just been established on Spider Island in the Sanchiao district.

The Bandmann Comedy Company are announced to give one performance in the Theatre on Friday next on their return from the North. The piece to be played is "Sunday."

The Grand Secretary Ng Tung is appointed Chief Commissioner-General of Customs. Li Hai-huan, Associate Commissioner General of Customs, is commanded to resign his post.

Messrs. Melchers & Co. have received a telegram from their Head office informing them that the steamship "Prins Ludvig" left Antwerp on the 28th inst. instead of the 20th inst. The ship was detained by heavy fog.

Messrs. B. S. Kadoorie and Co. are in receipt of telegraphic information from Singapore advising them that the crushing of the Rand Australian Gold Mining Co. Ltd. for the past period yielded 1,071,000 gold from 5,884 tons stone.

European residents are officially advised in our advertisement columns today to avoid China-town during the New Year festival unless they have been recently re-vaccinated, owing to the prevalence of small-pox among the Chinese community.

By kind permission of Lt. Col. Price and Officers the band of the 129th Duke of Cornwall's Own Baluchis will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, on Thursday (weather permitting):

March "Wellington" Gehle
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Siciliana "A Country Girl" Monckton
Intermezzo "Endoria" Sullivan
King Henry's Song from Henry VIII Sullivan
Scherzo "Veronique" Massenet
Two Steps "Arona" Grey
God-save-the-King.

Monday evening was reserved by the Y. M. C. A. Literary and Debating Society's "Parliament" for the consideration of private members' bills and in consequence the rewers a few vacant seats on both sides of the House of members who took advantage of the brief respite from their Parliamentary duties thus offered them. The first measure down for hearing was a bill for the abolition of Capital Punishment which was introduced by Mr. Sivan. It is drawn out the most serious and interesting debate it has yet been the privilege of members to listen to. The House seemed to properly realise and appreciate the responsibility of listening with so big a matter and entered into the debate with an earnestness worthy of the Home Government. A sentimental chord was touched by the Leader of the Opposition who ably supported the bill and it appeared as if the House were disposed to accept it, but after the debate turned to the practical aspect of the question, the current of favour veered round and on a division the bill was rejected by a large majority. Messrs. Kingsbury, White, Barnett and Sutton supported the bill, while Messrs. Lowry, Moss, Todd, Pendlebury, Fuller and Captain Brown opposed it.

For three consecutive nights, 25th, 26th, and 27th instant, the "Société des Dramatiques Kowloonenses," a society newly organized under the auspices of Mr. L. J. Xavier, have entertained their friends at "Cherubville," Observatory Road, Kowloon. Under the able management of Messrs. M. Silva Guimarães, and M. A. Concelos, the pieces chosen were well rendered by those concerned. The fact that some of the actors have been on the stage only for the first time adds to the deserved praise contained in the statement that all acquitted themselves very well. The pieces played were "Abenquade Diabura," "Dois Estudantes no Prêgo," and "O Sacrifício de Magalhães." Messrs. M. Silva Guimarães, A. J. d'Eos, M. A. Concelos, and J. T. Sousa contributed interlary items. The actors were Miss D. M. Xavier, Messrs. L. C. Xavier, M. A. Concelos, L. L. Xavier, A. J. d'Eos, A. M. d'Eos, P. A. Xavier, J. T. Sousa, and L. M. Xavier. Mr. A. V. da Silva was accompanist.

Haiphong is in the throes of a great agitation. A French firm of barbers, the only licensed barbers in the town, have petitioned the Mayor and Council to put down competition by unlicensed barbers. This competition, they say, not only prejudicially affects them, but involves a loss of revenue to the city. In the presence of such grave news the loss of important revenue to the town, a reporter sought an interview with the petitioners. One of them recalled the fact that at the time of the conquest of Annam the Annamites had not been initiated in "the art of the razor." "To-day they are cutting us," he said, "and there is one of the consequences of civilisation and assimilation! If the Government would not intervene," he added sorrowfully, "they would be obliged to close the shop and return to France." The controller of taxes, it was urged, did not protect the interests of the town: he needed a serious shampooing. Another high functionary was shaved by an Annamite at his house—above all, at our house, at the residence." The interviewer asks what the Mayor will do, and whether the Councilors will this time remain indifferent? Would they not mobilise the entire police force to find those who are shaving without having a license to do so. And in this event the Mayor and Councilors are strongly urged to form themselves into a special brigade.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, January 28th.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. JUSTICE WISS (PUNISHMENT JUDGE).

A NEGLECTFUL DEFENDANT.

An action was brought by the Victoria Dispensary against W. H. Mannors to recover the sum of \$12.96 for goods sold and delivered. Defendant had paid part of this amount into Court, and denied further liability. Mr. M. J. D. Stephens represented the plaintiff, and the defendant appeared in person.

Mr. Stephens informed his Lordship that the matter had not proceeded any further since it was previously called on. Defendant had paid into Court a certain amount, but he had not paid in the fee. "Perhaps," Mr. Stephens suggested, "he has something to say this morning."

Defendant—What I have to say is this: last Friday was a question of costs. Had I paid up \$4.17 the case would have been withdrawn. I went to Messrs. Watson's legal office—

His Lordship—Why didn't you go to Mr. Stephens?

Defendant—I went to the head office and paid a sum of money.

Mr. Stephens—I did not hear anything of this; besides the Victoria Dispensary is another firm.

Defendant—It belongs to A. S. Watson and Co.

His Lordship—You had better pay the money again; you wouldn't do what I told you.

Defendant—I found that Watson's Kowloon branch owed me some money; so I told them to pay it to the Victoria Dispensary instead of to me.

His Lordship—Where does Mr. Stephens come in?

Defendant—I did not deal with Mr. Stephens; I dealt with Watsons.

Mr. Stephens—The money is not paid, and I would ask your Lordship to allow me costs for two attendances.

His Lordship (to defendant)—You had better do what you are told next time. There will be judgment for \$4.75 on the writ; two attendances, and the money paid in will be paid out.

WEST RIVER PATROLS.

THE WITHDRAWAL OF BRITISH GUNBOATS.—Last the public and the Chinese should suppose that the withdrawal of the British gunboats is an act of "backing down," in response to popular prejudice, we wish to explain that they have left the West River to the provincial authorities for at least two good reasons.

The pending claims have been settled by the Viceroy, and the results to the various claimants will, no doubt, be officially published before long. The other reason is that the British gunboats have now inaugurated and taught a system of patrol which, if their instructions are remembered, be maintained without their further assistance. It is, more over, understood that the former had conditions re-arranged, they would return promptly with perhaps more vigorous measures of repression.

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SIR HENRY CAMPBELL
BANNERMAN.

LONDON, January 28th.

The Premier is still unwell.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, January 28th.

The Archbishop of Paris is dead.

SMALL-POX AND PASSENGERS.

TOKYO, January 28th.

Small-pox rages still comparatively unchecked, and the United States Health Officer at Yokohama has notified that the port has been declared infected, and that, as a consequence, all passengers to the United States must be vaccinated.

SIR ROBERT HART'S LEAVE.

SIR R. E. BRETON SUCCEEDS HIM.

PEKING, January 27th.

An Imperial Edict published to-day grants Sir Robert Hart, Inspector General of the Customs, long leave

with the rank of a Board President.

Sir R. E. Breton is appointed to succeed him, with the rank of a Lieutenant-Governor.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

TURKEY AND PERSIA.

LONDON, January 26th.

A Russian telegram from Tabriz, says that the Turkish Commander has peremptorily ordered Prince Firman to leave Subulak, saying that it is Turkish territory.

INDISPOSITION OF SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN.

LONDON, January 26th.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman is confined to his room with a chill, and was unable to attend the Privy Council at Windsor, to consider the King's speech.

M. DELCASSE'S SPEECH.

LONDON, January 26th.

M. Delcassé's speech is the absorbing topic of French parliamentarians and is generally regarded as expressing the views of the majority. "The Debates strikes the one discordant note, declaring that M. Delcassé was inopportune. The German press reserves comment, confident that re-assuring speeches will be made by M. Clemenceau and M. Pichon. It declares however that the network of M. Delcassé's alliances, is united solely by hatred of Germany."

DR. SVE HEDIN'S TRAVELS.

DISCOVERY OF SOURCES OF BRAH—

M. PUTIA AND INDUS.

Dr. Sven Hedin, writing from Garguans, under the date of November 8, states that he has been down to Nepal from Tradum, crossing the Pases of Kora-la. He afterwards crossed for the fifth time the gigantic mountain range, about 2,000 miles long, from the Salween to the Pang. He has discovered the true source of the Brahmaputra River, namely, the Kailashnap, which rises from an enormous glacier on the north side of the northernmost parallel range of the Himayas. The Mariuochu, which has hitherto been regarded as the source, is merely a small tributary flowing in from the west. After a careful study of the hydrographic problems regarding the Brahmaputra and the Salween, Dr. Sven Hedin proceeded round the Toly Kailas, discovered the true source of the Indus and travelled North-East to the 22nd degree north. He is now proceeding to Ladakh and Khotan by the road running east of the Karakoram Pass. In the spring he will travel either to Peking or India.

ASIATICS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

IMPERIAL ASSENT TO THE RESTRICTION ACT.

Johannesburg, December 27.

The assent of the Imperial Government to the Immigration Restriction Act is published in the Gazette this afternoon. The Transvaal Government are, therefore, for the first time placed in a position to enforce the Asiatic Registration Act by deporting "passing registers," who isolate the great majority of the Indian population in the colony. That they have every intention of making their new powers felt is shown by the fact that Mr. Gaudhi and various other leaders of the passive resistance movement were placed technically under arrest to-day and will appear before the magistrature to-morrow morning in order that they may produce registration certificates, which, of course, they do not possess. So far as it is possible to gauge the feeling of Transvaal and Johannesburg there is general relief at the termination of a rather farcical situation, in which the Government was unable to give any real effect to a policy which was endorsed unanimously by Parliament.—Times.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, January 28th.

BEFORE MR. H. E. J. GOMPERTS (First
Police Magistrate).

LARCENY AND RECEIVING.

His Worship sentenced a native to 21 days' hard labour and four hours' stocks for stealing a quantity of lead from the Quarry Bay shipyard. A second native, who was arrested by a detective shortly afterwards with the stolen lead in his possession was sent to jail for 21 days.

KIDNAPING.

Two Chinese women and a man were indicted on a charge of kidnapping. A small boy who left his home in Canton was taken in charge by the first two defendants and brought to Hongkong, and the tenant of a house in First Street informed the Court that the three defendants took the boy to her house and hired a room there. The female defendants admitted the charge, stating that they brought the boy to Hongkong with the intention of selling him for \$125. His Worship sentenced the first defendant to six months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks, the second to six months' imprisonment, and discharged the third.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (Second
Police Magistrate).

NIGHT NOISES.

The Hongkong Hotel Co. summoned Lam Woo, contractor, for disturbing the peace and quietude of the Hotel neighbourhood. Mr. H. W. Looker (of Messrs. Dawson, Looker and Deacon) appeared for the complainants, and Mr. E. J. Grist (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) for the defendant.

Mr. Looker informed the Court that the summons was taken out under an old Ordinance on account of the noise made in the vicinity of the Hongkong Hotel at night. If the defendant would undertake not to work until 6.30 in the morning and would do everything possible to mitigate the noise they would be satisfied if he was bound over.

Mr. Grist consented to this, so his Worship bound the defendant over in the sum of \$100, personal bond, to come up for judgment when called on.

AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE.

Li Chuk met an old acquaintance on Monday when he had not seen for months, and was so pleased to meet him that he asked him to call on him at his family house that night. The new friend agreed, and presented himself at the family house earlier than Li expected and before he was home. The caller was admitted into the presence of Li's wife, told her that her husband was dangerously ill, and asked for a quilt to cover him and keep him warm. When this had been handed him he left, and shortly afterwards Li arrived home. When his wife told him of his friend's trick, Li put the matter in the hands of the police, the result being that the thief was charged yesterday with larceny. His Worship sentenced him to three weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

REGULATIONS AND VAGABONDS.

At this time of year there is always a special relay of police in the vicinity of the Chinese bazaar, and on Monday a plain clothes district watchman, observing two suspicious looking characters walking along Jervois Street, followed them. In a quiet part of the street the two men got one each side of a small boy who was passing and made search of his pockets. Just as they had completed this they were detained by the district watchman, and the boy was asked to feel his pockets and see if he had missed anything. He said he had lost four cents, and this being found on one of the prisoners the watchman decided to take both to the station. Returning the boy his four cents he told him to follow on, but the youngster apparently became alarmed, and fled at the first opportunity. Failing his evidence the defendants were charged with being rogues and vagabonds, and as both had previous convictions his Worship sentenced each man to three weeks' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Tuesday, January 28th.

DO K LUNCHES IN COLLISION.

Before Hon. Commander Basil R. H. T. Taylor R.N., Marine Magistrate, at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday, an inquiry was held into the circumstances connected with the collision of two private launches "K3" and "K3."

Kwok Hi, master of the launch "K3," told the Court that on the morning of the 21st instant he was leaving No. 2 Dock to go to Wanchai, and the "K3" was leaving No. 3 Dock. Witness left first, and the latter launch overtook him, and ran into his bow. When witness saw her crossing his bows he went astern, but was too late, and after the collision towed "K3" to the docks.

Ng Fat, master of launch "K3," said the "K3" left the docks before him. As his launch was faster, and was overtaking the other one, he gave a short blast on his whistle, meaning that he was going to cross her bows.

His Worship held that Ng Fat had failed to observe the rule of the road. His certificate would be suspended for three months, and he would be required to pass in that rule before it was restored.

ALLEGED MURDER.

A case of suspected murder was reported to the police at Wanchai on Monday night. Three men are said to have gained entrance into a house near the Frigate-Hat Hotel, kept by two Chinese women, with the object of robbery. On their entrance one of the women, in spite of warnings from the intruders, called loudly for assistance, and as she refused to keep quiet the men are alleged to have strangled her. The police got speedily to work after the report, and an ex-Chinese constable has been detained on suspicion.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO. LD.

The nineteenth annual meeting of shareholders in the West Point Building Co. Ltd. was held at the office of the Company, Victoria Building, yesterday morning. Sir Paul Chater was in the chair, and there were present Hon. Mr. H. Kewick, Mr. A. G. Wood and Mr. A. J. Raymond (directors), Mr. A. Shelton Hooper (secretary), Messrs. J. Orange, Ho Tung, J. M. E. Machado, F. Ellis, Ho-Kom-long, G. C. Moxon and F. Maitland.

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, I propose that we should take the report and accounts as read. The net profit for the year is \$11,831.94, against \$52,846.65 of that of the previous year, which will enable us to pay the same dividend viz. \$4.10 per share and carry forward \$154,31 being \$32.84 more than we brought forward last year. The accounts are practically identical with those of the previous year, except that in 1907 we expended in the upkeep of the property \$1632.31 which is \$617.32 more than that spent under that heading in 1906. The lease of the property has another three years to run so we may confidently expect to be able to pay the same dividend which you are now asked to approve.

There were no questions and the report and accounts were adopted on the motion of the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. MACHADO.

The appointment of the Hon. Mr. Kewick to the Board of Directors was confirmed on the motion of Mr. ORANGE, seconded by Mr. HO TUNG.

Mr. MOXON moved the re-election to the directorate of Sir Paul Chater and Mr. A. G. Wood.

Mr. ORANGE seconded, and the motion was carried.

Mr. C. W. May was reappointed auditor on the motion of Mr. MACHADO, seconded by Mr. HO-KOM-TOUNG.

The CHAIRMAN said—That is all the business of the meeting, gentlemen. Thank you for your presence. Dividend warrants will be read, to-morrow.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

At the nineteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders in this Company, held yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. H. Kewick presided, other shareholders present being Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. E. Shellim, H. P. White, A. J. Raymond, A. Fuchs, G. Friedland (directors), A. Shelton Hooper (secretary), H. Percy Smith, A. Haupt, W. Parlane, J. M. E. Machado, J. Orange and G. B. Sayer.

The SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, in submitting the annual report and accounts for the past year I propose to adopt the usual course of taking them as read. A year ago, my predecessor in the chair informed you that the then existing conditions of the property market precluded the Company from disposing of any of its property, and I now have to repeat that statement with respect to the period under review, but we hope that this state of affairs may only be of a temporary nature, and that with a revival of trade generally we may again add to our annual profits a return derived from sales of property.

The amount at present invested in mortgages is 4 laos (\$40,000), less than in previous account, whilst we have about half a lao (\$50,000) more invested in our properties than was the case in 1906. The effect of this is to reduce the receipt derived from interest on mortgages by about \$28,000.00, but it also reduces the amount payable for interest by \$13,900. Coming to the principal revenue-earning source of the Company, rentals of property, notwithstanding the depression in the property market, we have been enabled to increase our revenue under this heading from \$428,558.01 to \$441,088.22, a result with which I am sure, you will share your Directors' satisfaction, and I must point out that this has been attained notwithstanding that a large part of our capital stands invested in godown property in the Eastern part of the town, whence the business has been diverted westwards and to the Kowloon side of the harbour. The other class of property so largely owned by us, Chinese tenement houses, shows signs of improvement, the number of vacant tenements being less than in the previous year, the improvement in this respect being noticeable more in the upper domestic tenements than in the ground floors principally used as shops. The large first class European house property which we own in the centre of the business part of the town is gradually filling up and we have now only three floors unoccupied. The whole of the Company's property is well kept up and this accounts for the increase in expenditure under the heading of repairs. The troubles which we have had to contend with have been a decrease in the Chinese population, the large increase in the cost of building, the harassing Sanitary and Building laws in force, and stringent tightness of money. When you consider this, I trust that you will find that the Company has done satisfactorily. Before formally moving the adoption of the report, I should be pleased to answer any questions.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. ORAN is seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

The appointment of Messrs. A. Fuchs, E. Shellim and G. Friedland to the directorate was confirmed on the motion of Mr. MACHADO, seconded by Mr. PARLANE.

Mr. HAUPT moved the re-election of Messrs. G. Friedland and A. Fuchs to the Board of Directors.

The motion was seconded by Mr. SAYER, and agreed to.

The retiring auditors, Messrs. C. W. May and H. Percy Smith, were re-elected on the motion of Mr. ORANGE, seconded by Mr. HAUPT.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business of the meeting, gentlemen, and the Secretary inform me that dividend warrants will be ready on application to-morrow. Thank you for your attendance.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
CHINOTU, British str., 1,450, W. B. Brown, 28th January—Mojil 21st Jan., General—Butterfield & Swire.
CHOR-ANG, British str., 28th Jan., Canton.
FUKUKA MARU, Japanese str., 1,946, H. Sakamoto, 27th January—Mojil 21st Jan., Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi-Kaisha.
HABSBURG, German str., 4,076, Filler, 28th January—Yokohama and Shanghai 25th Jan., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
KASHING, British str., 29th January—Canton.
KOHSICHANG, German str., 1,292, C. Roelofsky, 28th January—Bangkok 21st Jan., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
LOOSANG, British str., 1,080, Payne, 28th January—Manila 25th January, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MERFOO, Chinese str., 1,330, J. McArthur, 28th Jan.—Shanghai 24th January, General—Chinese.
RUBI, British str., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 27th January—Manila 25th Jan., General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
SLAVONIA, German str., 2,829, Kotke, 27th Jan.—Singapore 21st Jan., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
SCOTTRA, British str., 6,008, W. R. Hickey, 28th January—London 15th Dec. and Singapore 22nd Jan., General—P. & O. Co.
SUNDA, British str., 3,400, G. M. Montford, 28th Jan.—Yokohama 14th Jan., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 28th January.
Amora, British str., for Saigon.
Choyan, British str., for Swatow.
Lachon, British str., for Shanghai.
Mafco, Chinese str., for Canton.
Scottra, British str., for Yokohama.
Sekiu Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.
Vandling, German str., for Singapore.
Zieten, German str., for Europe, &c.

DEPARTURES.

27th January.
Wilmington, American gunboat, for Manila.
 28th January.
HAIMUN, British str., for Swatow.
HAIGAN, French str., for Hongkong.
HELMER, German str., for Tauran.
JESERIC, British str., for Singapore.
PISANULOG, German str., for Bangkok.
PHAM, British str., for Singapore.
RHENANIA, German str., for Shanghai.
SIGNAL, German str., for Swatow.
TEAM, British str., for Manila.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Loosang* reports: Fine and clear throughout smooth sea.
 The British str. *Rubi* reports: Moderate to fresh monsoon choppy sea and fine weather.
 The British str. *Scottra* reports: Moderate to fresh monsoon and fine weather, moderate N. Easterly swell.
 The British str. *Sunda* reports: Strong N. N. E. monsoons considerable sea.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

January 28th.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—*Nell Melad*, Persia, Germania, Huichou, Amoy, Prince Waldemar, Sorogon.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.—*Chill*, Singan, Suising, Hilary.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

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THE Steamship

"YARRA"
 Captain Seller, will be despatched to MARSEILLES, on TUESDAY, the 4th February, at 1 P.M.
 This steamer connects at Colombo with the Australian line steamship "Australis" bound for Marseilles via BOMBAY and Aden.
 Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.
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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1908.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.
 S.S. "SHIMOSA" ... 12th February.
 For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.
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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS LIMITED.
 FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE"
 Will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 29th February.
 For Freight and further particulars, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.
 Hongkong, 23rd January, 1908. 179

"INDRA" LINE LIMITED.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"INDRANI"
 Captain MacFarlane, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 25th February.
 For Freight, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
 Hongkong, 28th January, 1908. 274

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k." and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP	SUNDA	Brit. str.	G. M. Montford, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	PENINSULAR	Brit. str.	E. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 8th Feb. at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	Seller	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 20th February.
MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	HABSBURG	Ger. str.	Seller	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	YARRA	Fr. str.	H. Pybus	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 4th Feb. at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN	PERFONIA	Ger. str.	W. Hoff	MELCHERS & CO.	On 21st February.
MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	Vagner	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 26th February.
ROTTERDAM, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th February.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 14th February.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERA, GIBRALTAR &c.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	Haseo	MELCHERS & CO.	On 13th March.
TRIESTE, &c. via SINGAPORE, &c.	ZISTEN	Ger. str.	F. Proesch	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	AUSTRIA	Aus. str.	Gillhuber	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 24th February.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	MacFarlane	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 12th February.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	INDRANI	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	About 25th February.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	SAINT PATRICK	Am. str.		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 16th March.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.		OTOY KISEN KAISHA	To-day, at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	Cowley	OTOY KISEN KAISHA	On 13th Feb. at 4 P.M.
CALLAO AND IQUIQUE, via JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KUMERO	Am. str.	Cowley	OTOY KISEN KAISHA	On 8th February.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	KASATO MARU	Jap. str.	D. Mori	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Sometime in March.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	CHICOFU	Brit. str.	W. B. Brown	MELCHERS & CO.	On 31st inst. at 4 P.M.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	W. von Sunden	MELCHERS & CO.	On 1st Feb. at 5 P.M.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	D. Lenz	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LYN	About 7th February.
TUPANAS	TUPANAS	Dut. str.	Pander	OTOY KISEN KAISHA	Quick despatch.
SOSHU MARU	SOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	T. Suruga	OTOY KISEN KAISHA	To-day, at 9 A.M.
SOCOTRA	SOCOTRA	Brit. str.	W. R. Hickey	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 29th inst.
KLEIST	KLEIST	Ger. str.	Rud. Meyer	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
WUHU	WUHU	Brit. str.	W. P. Baker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst. at 4 P.M.
KWONGSANG	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	L. D. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Febr. at 4 P.M.
SEAORSHING	SEAORSHING	Brit. str.	F. J. Fox	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 2nd February.
BRASILIA	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 7th Feb. at 4 P.M.
NOBIA	NOBIA	Brit. str.	F. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 7th February.
ERNEST SIMONS	ERNEST SIMONS	Am. str.	C. L. Daniel, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th Feb. at 4 P.M.
DELTA	DELTA	Brit. str.	H. A. Wall	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th February.
KIKUKANG	KIKUKANG	Dut. str.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 15th February.
CATHAY	CATHAY	Dut. str.	I. Sakurai	OTOY KISEN KAISHA	On 2nd Feb. at 10 A.M.
SAMBIA	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	T. W. Pickard	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight.
DAIJIN MARU	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	Imbhen	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst. at 4 P.M.
KASHING	KASHING	Brit. str.	R. J. Payne	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 1st February.
CHINLI	CHINLI	Brit. str.	A. W. Osterbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th Feb. at 4 P.M.
LOOSANG	LOOSANG	Brit. str.	T. Mevrik	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 7th Feb. at 4 P.M.
RUBI	RUBI	Brit. str.	Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 8th February.
TAMING	TAMING	Brit. str.	G. H. Pennefather	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th Feb. at 4 P.M.
YUENANG	YUENANG	Brit. str.	Mathias	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th Feb. at 4 P.M.
ZAFIRO	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	F. Sombill	MELCHERS & CO.	Middle of February.
SUNGKIANG	SUNGKIANG	Brit. str.	E. J. Bull	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 31st inst. at 3 P.M.
KAMPONG	KAMPONG	Ger. str.	Zwart	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LYN	About 4th February.
BOENES	BOENES	Brit. str.			
KYUANG	KYUANG	Brit. str.			
TIRODAS	TIRODAS	Dut. str.			

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